### (19) World Intellectual Property Organization International Bureau



## 

# (43) International Publication Date 21 July 2005 (21.07.2005)

### **PCT**

# (10) International Publication Number WO 2005/066836 A1

(51) International Patent Classification7: 11/14

G06F 17/30.

(21) International Application Number:

PCT/IB2004/004252

(22) International Filing Date:

22 December 2004 (22.12.2004)

(25) Filing Language:

English

(26) Publication Language:

English

(30) Priority Data:

0330051.4

51.4 24 December 2003 (24.12.2003) GB

(71) Applicant (for all designated States except US): NOKIA CORPORATION [FI/FI]; Keilalahdentie 4, FIN-02150 Espoo (FI).

- (72) Inventor; and
- (75) Inventor/Applicant (for US only): LA PENSEE, Mark [GB/GB]; 48 George Road, Guildford, Surrey GU1 4NR (GB).

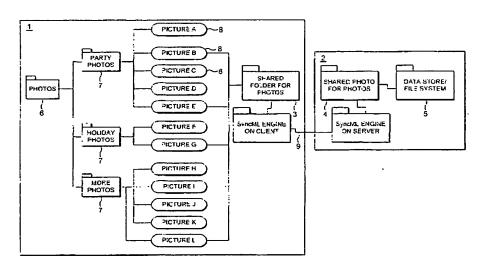
- (74) Agents: SLINGSBY, Philip, Roy et al.; Page White & Farrer, 54 Doughty Street, London WCIN 2LS (GB).
- (81) Designated States (unless otherwise indicated, for every kind of national protection available): AE, AG, AL, AM, AT, AU, AZ, BA, BB, BG, BR, BW, BY, BZ, CA, CH, CN, CO, CR, CU, CZ, DE, DK, DM, DZ, EC, EE, EG, ES, FL, GB, GD, GE, GH, GM, HR, HU, ID, HL, IN, IS, JP, KE, KG, KP, KR, KZ, LC, LK, LR, LS, LT, LU, LV, MA, MD, MG, MK, MN, MW, MX, MZ, NA, NI, NO, NZ, OM, PG, PH, PL, PT, RO, RU, SC, SD, SE, SG, SK, SL, SY, TJ, TM, TN, TR, TT, TZ, UA, UG, US, UZ, VC, VN, YU, ZA, ZM, ZW.
- (84) Designated States (unless otherwise indicated, for every kind of regional protection available): ARIPO (BW, GH, GM, KE, LS, MW, MZ, NA, SD, SL, SZ, TZ, UG, ZM, ZW). Eurasian (AM, AZ, BY, KG, KZ, MD, RU, TJ, TM), European (AT, BE, BG, CH, CY, CZ, DE, DK, EE, ES, FI, FR, GB, GR, HU, IE, IS, IT, LT, LU, MC, NL, PL, PT, RO, SE, SI, SK, TR). OAPI (BF, BJ, CF, CG, CI, CM, GA, GN, GQ, GW, ML, MR, NE, SN, TD, TG).

#### Published:

with international search report

[Continued on next page]

### (54) Title: FILE SYNCHRONISATION



(57) Abstract: A method for synchronising data between a client device and a server device, at least one of the client device and the server device having synchronisation means, the method comprising: defining a first folder in a memory of the client device: defining a second folder in a memory of the server device: storing in the first folder data items of a certain type to be synchronised from the client device: storing in the second folder data items of the same type to be synchronised from the server device: and associating with each data item stored in the first and second folders an identifier for identifying the item; the client device and the server device being arranged such that a user of the devices cannot create subfolders within the first or second folders; and the synchronisation means being adapted to synchronise data items in the first and second folders on connection of the client device to the server device.



#### 

 before the expiration of the time limit for amending the claims and to be republished in the event of receipt of amendments

For two-letter codes and other abbreviations, refer to the "Guidance Notes on Codes and Abbreviations" appearing at the beginning of each regular issue of the PCT Gazette.